UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

# NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

26637

7590

09/06/2007

CNH AMERICA LLC INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW DEPARTMENT 700 STATE STREET RACINE, WI 53404 EXAMINER

SHECHTMAN, SEAN P

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

2125

DATE MAILED: 09/06/2007

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/520,318	01/04/2005	Koen Maertens	17932	2554

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS OF OPTIMISING STOCHASTIC PROCESSING PARAMETERS IN CROP HARVESTING MACHINES

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$0	\$1700	12/06/2007

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. <u>PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED</u>. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

#### **HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:**

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.
- B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.
- II. PART B FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL, or its equivalent, must be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted. If an equivalent of Part B is filed, a request to reapply a previously paid issue fee must be clearly made, and delays in processing may occur due to the difficulty in recognizing the paper as an equivalent of Part B.
- III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

### PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail Mail Stop ISSUE FEE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
or Fax (571)-273-2885

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be used for transmitting the ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Blocks 1 through 5 should be completed where

appropriate. All further indicated unless correcte maintenance fee notifica	ed below or directed oth	ng the Patent, advance on herwise in Block 1, by (a	ders and notification of n n) specifying a new corres	naintenance fees w pondence address;	ill be r and/or	nailed to the current ( (b) indicating a separ	correspondence address as rate "FEE ADDRESS" for
CURRENT CORRESPOND	ENCE ADDRESS (Note: Use BI	ock 1 for any change of address)	ree(	s) Transmittal. Thi ers. Each additiona	s certifi l paper.	cate cannot be used for	domestic mailings of the or any other accompanying at or formal drawing, must
26637	7590 09/06	/2007	nuve			of Mailing or Transn	nission
700 STATE STE	AL PROPERTY LA REET	W DEPARTMENT	I he Stat addr tran:	reby certify that these Postal Service weeksed to the Mail smitted to the USP	is Fee(s tith suff Stop 1 FO (57)	of Maining of Transmit) Transmittal is being licient postage for first ISSUE FEE address (1) 273-2885, on the date	deposited with the United telass mail in an envelope above, or being facsimile te indicated below.
RACINE, WI 53	3404						(Depositor's name)
							(Signature)
			L				(Date)
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE		FIRST NAMED INVENTOR		ATTO	RNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/520,318	01/04/2005		Koen Maertens			17932	2554
APPLN. TYPE	: METHODS OF OPTIN	AISING STOCHASTIC F	PROCESSING PARAMET	PREV. PAID ISSUE		TING MACHINES  TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO NO	\$1400	\$300	\$0	FEE	\$1700	12/06/2007
•				<b>3</b> υ		\$1700	12/06/2007
EXAM		ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS				
SHECHTMA	ence address or indication	2125	700-095000  2. For printing on the p	atant front maga lie			
CFR 1.363).  Change of corresponders form PTO/SE  "Fee Address" indi	ondence address (or Cha 3/122) attached. ication (or "Fee Address" 22 or more recent) attach	nge of Correspondence	(1) the names of up to or agents OR, alternativ (2) the name of a single registered attorney or a 2 registered patent attoolisted, no name will be	3 registered patentyely, e firm (having as a agent) and the name	membe	er a 2	
	less an assignee is ident h in 37 CFR 3.11. Comp		THE PATENT (print or typedata will appear on the part a substitute for filing and (B) RESIDENCE: (CITY	atent. If an assigned			cument has been filed for
Please check the appropri	iate assignee category or	categories (will not be pr	inted on the patent) :	Individual Co	rporatio	on or other private gro	up entity Government
4a. The following fee(s) a  Issue Fee  Publication Fee (N  Advance Order - #	are submitted: lo small entity discount p # of Copies	permitted)	Payment of Fee(s): (Plea A check is enclosed.  Payment by credit care The Director is hereby overpayment, to Depo	d. Form PTO-2038 authorized to char	is attac	ched.	
	tus (from status indicated	•					
NOTE: The Issue Fee and	s SMALL ENTITY statu d Publication Fee (if requestroords of the United Sta		b. Applicant is no long from anyone other than the Office.				
Authorized Signature				Date			
				Registration N	o		
This collection of information an application. Confident submitting the completed this form and/or suggestings visquis 233	ation is required by 37 C tiality is governed by 35 1 application form to the ons for reducing this bur (irginia 22313-1450. DC	FR 1.311. The information U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR USPTO. Time will vary right, should be sent to the NOT SEND FEES OR CO.	on is required to obtain or r 1.14. This collection is est depending upon the indive the Chief Information Office COMPLETED FORMS TO	etain a benefit by the imated to take 12 n idual case. Any co r, U.S. Patent and O THIS ADDRESS	ne publi ninutes mments Fradem . SEND	c which is to file (and to complete, including s on the amount of tim ark Office, U.S. Depar o TO: Commissioner for	by the USPTO to process) g gathering, preparing, and the you require to complete rtment of Commerce, P.O. or Patents, P.O. Box 1450,

PTOL-85 (Rev. 08/07) Approved for use through 08/31/2010.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



### United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspio.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/520,318	01/04/2005	Koen Maertens	17932	2554	
26637	7590 09/06/2007	EXAMINER			
CNH AMERIC	CA LLC	SHECHTMAN, SEAN P			
	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW DEPARTMENT			PAPER NUMBER	
700 STATE STE RACINE, WI 53			2125 DATE MAILED: 09/06/200'	7	

# Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 300 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 300 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at 1-(888)-786-0101 or (571)-272-4200.